Discontinuation of the publications of CPWD in Hindi Language

†1216. SHRI B.P. SINGHAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the publications published only in English language by the CPWD during the last three years;

(b) the reasons for not publishing the same both in Hindi and English languages in a single binding;

(c) the reasons for discontinuing the age old practice of publishing Delhi rate schedules in both Hindi and English languages; and

(d) the action proposed to be taken against the officials responsible for violation of rules?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) The publications by CPWD are as follows:

(i) Quality Assurance Manual for construction of concrete flyover.

(ii) Manual of Rain Water Harvesting and conservation.

(iii) CPWD Works Manual—2003.

(iv) Delhi Schedule of Rates—2002.

(v) Siliguri Schedule of Rates—2002.

(b) and (c) The documents published are highly technical and the translation work from Englsih to Hindi takes enormous time, thus delaying release. In order to avoid delay in release, these were published in English in the first instance. Hindi edition of Delhi Schedule of Rates—2002 has since been approved and is under print. Other documents are being translated for Hindi edition.

(d) Not warranted in view of (b) and (c) above.

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